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April 3, 2009

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Mr. Charles Terrini S.C. Public Service Commission South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application Requesting an Extension of Local Phone Service for Residents of the Landrum and Campobello Communities to All the Spartanburg Exchange and Requiring Ballot for Extension of Local Phone Service

Docket Number 2008-223-C; Order 2008-773

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Dear Mr. Terrini:

Charleston

Charlotte

Enclosed for filing, please find attached a letter dated April 3, 2009 from Windstream South Carolina, LLC, in connection with Order 2008-773 issued by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") regarding customer input

on the proposed extension of local service referenced above. Also attached please find our proposed ballot attached hereto as Attachment A for your review and

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approval.

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Very truly yours,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Shirley J. Neal, hereby certify that on this 3rd day of April, 2009, a copy of a letter from Windstream forwarding a proposed ballot as requested by Order 2008-773 (referenced above) was placed in the United States mail, via first class, postage prepaid to:

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April 3, 2009

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni, Esquire Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

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Docket No. 2008-223-C, Order 2008-773

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") issued Order 2008-773 ("Order") on November 18, 2008 in the above reference docket. The Order requested that customer input be sought on the proposed extension of local service through balloting customers in Windstream's Campobello and Landrum exchanges by using a bill insert.

Attached in Attachment A, is our proposed ballot for Commission review and approval. Once the ballot wording is approved, it will take Windstream approximately four weeks lead-time for a bill insert to create the layout, printing, and scheduling. If we use the same wording as a bill message, it will take approximately two weeks to schedule and place on the customer's bills. Our preference is a bill message because it shortens the lead-time and lower costs.

Once the final ballot is ready for distribution, Windstream proposes customers have until three weeks after the final bill cycle to call the toll-free number to cast their vote. If the Commission approves this interval, it will take seven weeks to complete the ballot process. Only one vote per billed account will be accepted, regardless of the number of lines included.

Customers will be asked to enter their 10-digit telephone number and to cast their vote by either pressing 1 FOR or pressing 2 AGAINST the proposed EAS to Spartanburg with the associated EAS additive.

Windstream would like to get clarification from the Commission on whether the ballot should be sent only to residential customers or to all customers (business and residential) in the Campobello and Landrum exchanges. The original application to expand the local phone service indicates for "residents" of Landrum and Campobello communities.

Windstream would report back to the Commission and Public Staff the results of the balloting within 14 days from the end of the ballot process.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this information.

Sincerely yours,

Jayne Eve

cc: James White

Dawn Hipp, Office of Regulatory Staff

ACTION NEEDED: VOTE NOW on Extended Area Service

The South Carolina Public Service Commission would like your input on a proposed expanded calling area for Windstream South Carolina, LLC customers in Campobello and Landrum calling to Spartanburg, SC exchanges.

The proposed one-way, non-optional extended area service (EAS) would require a mandatory monthly EAS rate increase of **\$3.90** per line for all residential customers and **\$7.81** per line for all business customers. The current Windstream toll per-minute usage charge, if any, for this calling will be eliminated if this is implemented.

Your vote is needed to determine if customers desire to have this additional calling area with the EAS additive.

CALL TOLL-FREE 1-877-328-9315 by (DATE or within X days) to cast your vote.

You will need to enter your Windstream 10-digit telephone number. If you are voting **FOR** EAS to Spartanburg, press 1. If you are voting **AGAINST** EAS to Spartanburg, press 2.

Only one vote per billed account will be accepted, regardless of the number of lines included. Only Windstream SC customers will be allowed to vote.